

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of the Claims

1. (currently amended) A book having a theme and capable of displaying one or more coins related to the theme, comprising:

a first book cover;

a second book cover joined to said first book cover, wherein the exterior of at least one of said first and second book covers defines one or more coin receivable apertures, said one or more apertures are not cut all the way through said at least one of said first and second book covers such that a support is provided, and the book theme is displayed on at least one of said first and second book covers, wherein an image related to the book theme is ~~displayed~~ printed on said support in at least one or more of said one or more coin-receivable apertures; and

a plurality of sheets fastened together and attached to at least one of said first and second book covers, and wherein at least one of said plurality of sheets provides pre-printed information related to the book theme; and

a cap, removable from and insertable into at least one of said one or more apertures.

2. (original) A book as claimed in claim 1 wherein the book theme relates to a geographic region.

3. (original) A book as claimed in claim 2 wherein said geographic region is a state.

4. (original) A book as claimed in claim 2 wherein said geographic region is a province.

5. (original) A book as claimed in claim 2 wherein said geographic region is a country.

6. (original) A book as claimed in claim 2 wherein said geographic region is a group of countries.

7. (cancelled).

8. (currently amended) A book having a theme and capable of displaying one or more coins related to the theme, comprising:

a first book cover;

a second book cover joined to said first book cover, wherein the exterior of at least one of said first and second book covers defines one or more coin receivable apertures, said one or more apertures are not cut all the way through said at least one of said first and second book covers such that a support is provided, and the book theme is displayed on at least one of said first and second book ~~covers~~ covers, wherein a diameter of at least one of said one or more apertures is substantially equal to a diameter of a circular coin; and

a plurality of sheets fastened together and attached to at least one of said first and second book covers, and wherein at least one of said plurality of sheets provides pre-printed information related to the book theme; and

~~a cap, removable from and insertable into at least one of said one or more apertures.~~

9. (cancelled).

10. (Currently amended) A book as claimed in claim 8, further comprising a cap, removable from and insertable into at least one of said one or more apertures, wherein a diameter of said cap is substantially equal to a diameter of a coin.

11. (Currently amended) A book as claimed in claim 8, further comprising a cap, removable from and insertable into at least one of said one or more apertures, wherein said cap displays an image related to the book theme.

12. (original) A book as claimed in claim 11 wherein said cap image is associated with a geographic region.

13. (original) A book as claimed in claim 12 wherein said cap image includes a replica of a coin associated with said geographic region.

14. (original) A book as claimed in claim 12 wherein said cap image includes a flag associated with said geographic region.

15. (original) A book as claimed in claim 12 wherein said cap image includes a capitol of said geographic region.

16. (original) A book as claimed in claim 15 wherein said cap image includes a bird associated with said geographic region.

17. (original) A book as claimed in claim 12 wherein said cap image includes a flower associated with said geographic region.

18. (original) A book as claimed in claim 12 wherein said geographic region is a state.

19. (original) A book as claimed in claim 12 wherein said geographic region is a province.

20. (original) A book as claimed in claim 12 wherein said geographic region is a group of countries.

21. (original) A book as claimed in claim 12 wherein said geographic region is a continent.

22. (original) A book as claimed in claim 11 wherein said book theme relates to a commemorative event.

23. (original) A book as claimed in claim 22 wherein said cap image includes a replica of a coin associated with said commemorative event.

24. (original) A book as claimed in claim 11 wherein said book theme relates to an historic event.

25. (original) A book as claimed in claim 24 wherein said cap image includes a replica of a coin associated with said historic event.

26. (original) A book as claimed in claim 11 wherein said theme relates to a non-fictional character.

27. (original) A book as claimed in claim 26 wherein said non-fictional character is a celebrity.

28. (original) A book as claimed in claim 26 wherein said cap image includes a replica of a coin associated with said non-fictional character.

29. (original) A book as claimed in claim 11 wherein said theme relates to a fictional character.

30. (original) A book as claimed in claim 29 wherein said cap image includes a replica of a coin associated with said fictional character.

31. (original) A book as claimed in claim 11 wherein said theme relates to an athlete.

32. (original) A book as claimed in claim 30 wherein said cap image includes a replica of a coin associated with said athlete.

33. (previously presented) A book as claimed in claim 1 further comprising at least one or more interior apertures that are located on an interior side of said at least one of said first and second book covers.

34-36. (cancelled).

37. (previously presented) A book as claimed in claim 1 wherein at least one of said plurality of sheets is blank.

38. Cancelled.

39. (original) A book as claimed in claim 1 wherein at least one sheet defines at least one aperture that is aligned with at least one of said first and second book cover apertures.

40. (original) A book as claimed in claim 1 wherein said theme related information is a story.

41. (original) A book as claimed in claim 1 wherein said theme related information is non-fictional.

42. (previously presented) A book as claimed in claim 1 wherein said theme related information is fictional.

43. (original) A book as claimed in claim 1 wherein at least one of said first and second book covers is made from card stock.

44. (currently amended) A method of making a book having a theme and capable of displaying one or more coins related to the theme comprising:

providing a first book cover;

joining a second book cover to said first book cover, wherein the exterior of at least one of said first and second book covers defines one or more coin receivable apertures, said one or more coin receivable apertures are not cut all the way through said at least one of said first and second book covers such that a support is provided and at least one of said first and second book covers displays the book theme, wherein a diameter of at least one of said one or more apertures is substantially equal to a diameter of a circular coin; and

attaching a plurality of sheets fastened together to at least one of said first and second book covers, wherein at least one of said plurality of sheets provides pre-printed information related to the book theme; ~~and providing a removable cap in at least one of said one or more apertures.~~

45. (Currently amended) A method of making a book having a theme and capable of displaying one or more coins related to the theme comprising:

providing a first book cover;

joining a second book cover to said first book cover, wherein the exterior of at least one of said first and second book covers defines one or more coin receivable apertures, said one or more coin receivable apertures are not cut all the way through said at least one of said first and second book covers such that a support is provided, ~~provided and~~ at least one of said first and second book covers displays the book ~~theme~~ theme, and an image related to the book theme is printed on said support in at least one or more of said one or more coin-receivable apertures; and

attaching a plurality of sheets fastened together to at least one of said first and second book covers, wherein at least one of said plurality of sheets provides pre-printed information related to the book theme; and

providing a removable cap in at least one of said one or more apertures.

46. (original) A method as claimed in claim 45 wherein a diameter of said cap is substantially equal to a diameter of a coin.

47. (original) A method as claimed in claim 45 further comprising displaying an image on said removable cap related to the book theme.

48. (original) A method as claimed in claim 47 wherein said cap image is associated with a geographic region.

49. (original) A method as claimed in claim 48 wherein said cap image includes a replica of a coin associated with said geographic region.

50. (original) A method as claimed in claim 48 wherein said cap image includes a flag associated with said geographic region.

51. (original) A method as claimed in claim 48 wherein said cap image includes a capitol of said geographic region.

52. (original) A method as claimed in claim 48 wherein said cap image includes a bird associated with said geographic region.

53. (original) A method as claimed in claim 48 wherein said cap image includes a flower associated with said geographic region.

54. (original) A method as claimed in claim 48 wherein said geographic region is a state.

55. (original) A method as claimed in claim 48 wherein said geographic region is a province.

56. (original) A method as claimed in claim 48 wherein said geographic region is a country.

57. (original) A method as claimed in claim 48 wherein said geographic region is a continent.

58. (Previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 44 further comprising defining one or more interior apertures on an interior side of said at least one of said first and second book covers.

59. (cancelled).

60-62. (cancelled).

63. (previously presented) A book as claimed in claim 44 wherein at least one of said plurality of sheets is blank.

64. (cancelled).

65. (original) A method as claimed in claim 44 wherein said theme related information is a story.

66. (original) A method as claimed in claim 44 wherein said theme related information is non-fictional.

67. (original) A method as claimed in claim 44 wherein said theme related information is fictional.

68. (original) A method as claimed in claim 44 wherein at least one of said first and second book covers is made from card stock.

69. (cancelled).

70. (previously presented) The method of claim 44, wherein an image related to the book theme is displayed on said support in at least one or more of said one or more coin-receivable apertures.

71. (new) The method of claim 44, further comprising providing a removable cap in at least one of said one or more apertures